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An attachment or execution shalbe iudged sufficiently served vpon corne afore it be husked, or tobacco afore it be struck in caske, if the Officer appointed by the writt take an eare or stalk of the corne, or a plant or leafe of the tobacco in his hand, saying (in the presence of the owner or one or two neighbours) these words or to this effect thereafter as the writt is, viz [I doe hereby attach [or seise] all the corne [or tobacco] of N (naming the partie) in this feild [or house] to the vse of this writt] and then read or shew the writt, or declare the effect of it.

And no corne or tobacco so attached or seised, may after that time be validly disposed of, or applied to any other vse, without consent of the Court, or partie or parties interested, vpon paine of recompensing to the partie or parties greived, double the value of the tobacco or corne so vnlawfully disposed of or applied. to be incurred by all or any partie or parties concurring to such vnlawfull disposure, after knowledge or warning, or sufficient meanes vsed whereby they might or should take notice that it was so attached or seised. And the tobacco be vnlawfully disposed of, wheresoever found within the Province, shalbe restored to the vse of the writt.

And if there be more writts then one, laid vpon any corne or tobacco in manner aforesaid, such tobacco & corne shall stand bound in like manner as afore, to the vse of every writt, according to the order wherein they were laid upon it. Except that where there be two or more exequutions of one date laid upon a cropp or house of tobacco or corne, the exequution shalbe served by equall partition, among the parties interested in such exequutions.

Provided alwaies that so much as shalbe mentioned upon any writt to be for customes or subsidies to the vse of the Lord Proprietary, granted by Assembly, or for the meere and proper debts of the Lord Proprietary (otherwise growing then by fine, forfeiture, or assignments malæ fidei) or for publique leavies to the vse or accompt of the Province, allowed or authorised by Act or House of Assembly, or for fees of publique Officers (published by the Lieutenant Generall & Counsell in a table for that purpose, bearing date the first of August last) or for Landlords rents or Servants wages, shalbe first satisfied.

And further provided that the parties or any of them to whose vse any corne or tobacco stands so bound, may at any time or times (vpon the neglect or disability of the owner, or of any other the partie or parties having precedent right) vse, defray, and performe or cause to be performed all care, charge,